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A TRIBUTE TO DR. LAWRENCE E. GARY

**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 20, 2012*

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Lawrence E. Gary, Ph.D., LICSW, on the occasion of his retirement as a full professor from Howard University School of Social Work.

Dr. Gary has enjoyed a long and distinguished career as a scholar, researcher, educator, author, administrator, and clinical counselor spanning more than half a century. He is recognized as one of the nation's preeminent scholars on the impact of mental health issues on African American males and African American families. Dr. Gary received his Bachelor of Science degree with high honors from Tuskegee University and earned his Master of Public Administration degree, Master of Social Work degree, and Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. Dr. Gary has received appointments at the School of Social Work at the University of Michigan and Howard University School of Social Work and was the Samuel S. Wurtzel Professor at Virginia Commonwealth University School of Social Work.

Dr. Gary has received funding for research totaling more than \$8 million, authored and published hundreds of scholarly articles and papers, and has presented lectures at more than 50 universities and colleges throughout the United States and in South Africa. He has provided consultation to scores of public and private entities in the areas of mental health and substance abuse.

Dr. Gary is a devout Christian and has been a devoted member of the Saint Paul African Methodist Church in Washington, DC where he has provided exemplary leadership as a servant leader on the Board of Trustees and the Steward Board for several decades. He is a devoted husband to Dr. Robenia Gary and father to three children: Lisa, Andre and Jason.

Dr. Gary received the 2002 Distinguished Alumni Service Award from the Alumni Association at the University of Michigan, the 2001 Distinguished Alumni Award from the School of Social Work at the University of Michigan, the 2001 Scholarly Contribution to Mankind Award from Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, inc., as well as awards and distinction from numerous organizations, and is listed in Who's Who in America and Who's Who in the World.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the outstanding contributions Dr. Lawrence E. Gary has made to the social work profession and to the well-being of citizens of the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Dr. Lawrence E. Gary.

A TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF NANCY TAKAHASHI HATAMIYA

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 20, 2012*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the tragically abbreviated life of an extraordinary woman, Nancy Takahashi Hatamiya, who passed on May 15, 2012, at the age of 52. She was a woman of integrity, a great professional, a passionate advocate for human rights, a true and loyal friend, an exceptional mother and a devoted wife. She will be missed by everyone who was privileged to know her, and I count myself among those so blessed.

Nancy Hatamiya was born in Rome, Italy, lived in Pakistan as a child, attended elementary and junior high school in Washington, D.C., and graduated from the Jakarta International School before attending Stanford University, where she studied architecture and urban design. She became a Coro Foundation Fellow and it was from Coro that she was assigned to my 1982 campaign for the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors as an aide. After winning the election, Nancy served as my capable Administrative Assistant for four years. She went on to serve as an advisor to President Clinton, Vice President Gore, Defense Secretary William Cohen, and Assemblyman John Vasconcellos. She was a senior advisor at Manatt, Phelps and Phillips, and with her husband Lon, formed the Hatamiya Group, an economic, strategic and communications firm. She proudly served as a member of the Board of Directors of the California Council for the Humanities for nine years and as the Board's Chair. Her accomplishments were many, and her career was a most distinguished one.

The center of Nancy's life was her family. She adored her sons, Jon and George, and reveled in all of their activities. She was their most ardent supporter and biggest booster. She had a team of her own. From bands to baseball, she was there for them. Just days after Nancy died, her son George played in a baseball game at Sacramento City College. He said,

'Something allows us to fight adversity. My Mom loved watching us play. We were her team. She was a role model for so many, especially to my older brother (Jon) and me. She talked about education, music, sports. She wanted the best for us.'

Just a week before she died, Nancy wrote the following words:

I am convinced that it is the white, healing light, healing thoughts, and prayers that are keeping me uplifted. I feel my role is to appreciate every moment in response to the universal support you are giving me. [...] Every visit literally helps save my life and there is nothing more precious than being alive!

Mr. Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in extending our deepest sympathy to Nancy Hatamiya's beloved husband Lon, her sons Jon and George, her sister Tina Takahashi, her brother Joseph Takahashi, and to all those who were part of her large community of friends. Nancy's life is one of an accomplished, exceptional citizen. Her passion for public service, her abiding de-

votion to her community, her love of our country and her service to it, have inspired everyone who knew her. She deepened our patriotism, and made us better individuals because of her shining example of a life lived exceedingly well.

HONORING DR. WILLIAM S. KNOWLES, NOBEL PRIZE WINNING PHYSICIAN FROM CHESTERFIELD, MISSOURI

**HON. W. TODD AKIN**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 20, 2012*

Mr. AKIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the late Dr. William S. Knowles.

Dr. Knowles of Chesterfield, MO passed away on June 13 at the age of 95, but not before contributing something of significant value to the world. In the 1960's Dr. Knowles began working as a chemist at Monsanto Co. in St. Louis. After years of research he and his colleagues were able to formulate a process that produces L-Dopa, a molecule that effectively limits the tremors associated with Parkinson's disease. For his successful efforts, in 2001 he was awarded the Nobel Prize in chemistry for having helped open a completely new field of research.

Though he is no longer with us today, Dr. Knowles' legacy lives on. With his discovery, the nearly 500,000 Americans who are afflicted with Parkinson's disease are now able to better treat their symptoms. They and their loved ones are able to live richer, fuller lives than was previously thought possible.

Dr. William Knowles and his research represent the thoughtful innovation that Missouri has to offer the world. His ingenuity and dedication to his field, and the people he has helped, will long be remembered and recognized as an honorable service. It is without question that Dr. Knowles helped make this world a better place. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognition of his contributions.

SGT. WARREN WATTS TRIBUTE

**HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 20, 2012*

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Sgt. Warren Watts of Pueblo, Colorado. Sgt. Watts was a highly respected and distinguished 18-year veteran of the Pueblo County Sheriff's Department, who tragically passed away last Saturday at the age of 53, after falling ill during his routine morning jog.

One of Pueblo County's finest, Sgt. Watts spent much of his career in patrol and investigations. He was also the commander of the SWAT unit, and served for two years with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Joint Terrorism Task Force. After years of outstanding service he was appointed to the position of Inspector of Internal Affairs.

Sgt. Watts was recognized for his professionalism and commitment to the people of Pueblo County when he received the Medal of Valor in 2004. Sgt. Warren Watt's was a devoted husband to his wife of 32 years, Lori,